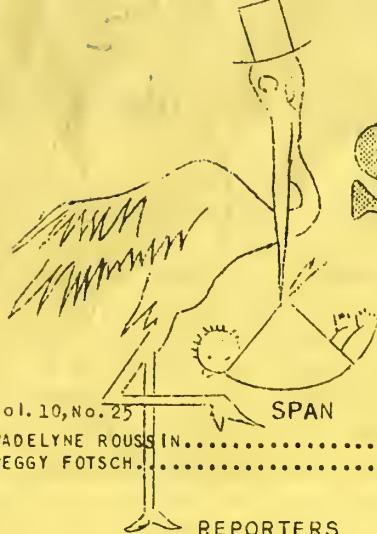


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September 16 through September 22

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YEARS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE

WILLIAM C. WISE, 10 YEARS, 2 MONTHS WITH REA AND OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR
GLENN B. ROLOSON, 16 YEARS (8 YRS. 6 MOS. REA)
THELMA L. CHAMBERS, 12 YEARS, 10 MONTHS (3 YRS. 1 MO. REA)

NEW EMPLOYEES

VETERANS

LOREN A. WILSON
CHARLES F. OSBORN (will he be another "Oz?" check with Briden)

ANDREW J. HEROLD
HARRY W. HARRIS
JAMES A. JONES

OTHERS

ANNETTE KLEIN
LAVERNE O. PETERSEN
L. FRANK JONES
DOROTHY B. RUFFIN (not "ruffian," mind you)
ALMA V. MIGNERON

JEANNETTE JACKSON
DAVID E. ALEXANDER
MERTON C. PARKER (pen and pencil set)
EDYTHE J. HORWITZ (let's not have anyone spelling her name as "Edith")

FIELD PERSONNEL

Clate Cox, 5 years in the field slaving for A&L's Region 8, is now ready to go to work in Region 6 as assistant regional head—in fact, he's already working.

Girls in Ohio BEWARE. Danny Woolf is now in your midst after leaving a bunch of broken hearts in REA.

Everett Brown, Region 5 A&L "baby" fieldman, is in the office for a couple of days from Illinois. Charles Jackson, new Region 9 fieldman, is reporting to Montana this week.

Ruben H. Glazier, Region 3 fieldman, was in for a few days.

J. J. Ausen, Region 7's fieldman, is coming to home base next week.

Jennings M. Ray, from Region 3 to Region 5 fieldman, says its south in summer and north in winter. Mr. Genness traipsing in from Kansas, bringing reports to Region 7.

Wanted: Ride to work in the morning from Union & Page. Call sta. 333 or 334, K. O'Connor. (Will ride bumper if necessary).

Wanted: One pkg. soap flakes. Not fussy. Will even take Lux. Call Minna, 383.

COME ON, JINE THE FUN!

Cows all out and the fences all down;
Hogs in the 'tater patch rootin' up the ground!

Oh, we're just talking about the big barn dance and hay ride at Valley Mount Ranch next Sat., Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Nothing like it has ever happened in REA before, and you shore don't want to miss it.

A bus will pick up at Chippewa and Kingshighway at 7:15. Admission if you go by bus is \$1.00, but if you go by car admission is only .50¢. Bring your own hotdogs and stuff (don't forget your cider bottle). A big barn has been reserved. Bring your friends and be ready for a rip-roaring, galloping good time. Yippy, yeho! Call Sylvia Sanders, 238, for more details.

ATTENTION, HIKERS!

The next hike will be combined with the hayride and barn dance already referred to. There will not be any hiking, as such, involved but a grand time is in store for all. You can put your hiking energy into the Hen Waller Shuffle, Grapevine Twist, or some other square dance.

BEG UR PODDIN

Wm. A. Allen says Span made a slight mistake in last week's issue by saying he had been 15 years and 2 months in government service with the 2 months in REA. He says tain't so—that it's only been 5 years for him, with 9 months in REA. Oh, well, those other ten years will soon slip around.

Typographical errors will occur. If anyone got the idea that the "Virginias" of Legal are in any way "failing," as recorded in our last issue, do away with it. As a matter of fact, they are in fine fettle and "gaining"---the word that was intended.

VACATIONS

R. J. Lambert at Wappapello Dam and other points in the Ozarks, concentrating on fish; Dayton Ward home on vacation, doing a bit of canning---some vacation, eh? Millie Walczyk returned from her vacation whole and in one piece (destination not revealed to us---see next week's issue); Dora Goldblatt rubs it in by writing from the sands of Atlantic City that not a brain cell is working---but poor Betty is; Steve Lally is taking his family on vacation to Tulsa.

Wanted: Lady to share 4-room furnished apartment in County. Call sta. 367.

Wanted: Transportation to Columbia, Mo., available any week-end. Call Mr. Cox, 384.

JOLTS 'N' VOLTS

Have you taken your glimpse of the pictures in Mr. Pyles' office? It's like reliving the Administrator's party again to look at 'em---so life-like and clear they are..... There's that bird again! And we do mean the stork. This time he dropped a 7½ bundle of femininity named Jean Alberta at the home of Frank Jenkins, one of Span's reporters. That's his second daughter and is he ever a proud pappy! Still walking on clouds, but plans to come down soon and start walking the floor..... Frank Speh's wisdom is waning. (He had two wisdom teeth extracted).....

Jobs & Volts

The Roll Call dumped a problem in the laps of Tech. Standards. Recently the editor received a Chinese dollar bill from Lt. Col. Kenneth Stiles (REA'er in service) who stated, "Buy yourself a martini and send me the other." Dumbfounded at sending a martini by mail, the editor consulted with T.S. intelligentsia. "Dehydration," came the answer. "Won't do," came the rejection. "Impairs the flavor." And there the matter rests while poor Col. Stiles somewhere in India awaits his martini. ... F. M. Trimble has good reason to be proud of son Capt. Robert, one of the three from his family in service. One medal after another, including the DFC, led up the other day to the Croix de Guerre conferred on him by a personal representative of Gen. De Gaulle, given to Capt. Trimble for outstanding service rendered in the Allied cause. He was commandant of a flying post in Russia and led reconnaissance flights over enemy territory. Entering service as a volunteer mud slugger in the infantry, he was up for a lt. colonelcy at the time the post was ordered disbanded..... There is more than a little talk about a co-op hike in the near future. Cars will take hikers to some nearby co-op, probably the Crawford County Electric, at Bourbon. Watch SPAN for further developments.....

Another happy father these days is J. K. O'Shaughnessy. Marine PFC Charles O'Shaughnessy breezed in the other day, appetite and all. Glad to be back and relishing good cooking as much as ever, he only ate 4 eggs, 8 slices of bacon, and a jar of jelly for breakfast, since he didn't feel well. He hopes to do better once his appetite improves.. Don't tell a soul, but Eleanor Willard's husband is going to get a divorce -- from the Navy, and very soon.....

Va. Goergens, in an urgent plea for news for SPAN, did her utmost to persuade Kathy Braisier to jump out of the window, or something. But, thank goodness, Kathy wouldn't cooperate to that extent..... Info. Chief, Allyn Walters, is off to Huntington, Pa., via Washington, to supervise the shooting of a new movie depicting REA co-ops at work. When can we have a "sneak preview?".....

Wanna know how an "ex-timberwolf" spends his time? Just ask John (there's that man again) Torok about that exciting evening he spent supervising a terrapin race on the Gibson (REA Hotel) lawn..... Joe Schaenzer gallantly offered to furnish the electric hay driers for the REAAA Barn Dance and Hayride, Sept. 22, 1945.....

The work Order Unit is really initiating its new girl, Mary Ann Miller. Someone evidently told her to be on time and in the rush she fell down and hurt her ankle. It had its compensation tho, she got to go to the Marine Hospital for an X-ray.... We can't figure out if it's the lend-lease plan or what gives, but Georgia Kick, "Brownie" and Jerry Vaughn can be seen at almost any hour of the day wheeling a long carriage typing machine back and forth on the 11th floor. There's actually a beaten path.....

Notes from the Flabbergasted Dept: After describing an injury to his shoulder, an anonymous Auditor made the following statement: "Unfortunately we were unable to discuss many matters before I left St. Louis, but I am making a list of the things that are not clear and as soon as the shoulder and arm are better they will be sent along to you.".....

Another Auditor made many references in his audit to Betty Cash. we are all wondering who she is... Adele Grupp has herself in a pretty kettle of fish. She's expecting two of her men home at the same time. Now she's trying to auction off to the highest bidder. And with eligible men so scarce.....

Mr. Wm. Grove is in the hospital, following an operation. (Maybe he's following a pretty nurse, who knows)..... Ray Cannon has moved up a notch. He is the new Asst. Regional Head in Region 7 of A & L..... That well-known literary stylist, Floyd Kneisly, as was expected, turned out a masterpiece of business correspondence for J. K. Walsh's letter writing class. We understand that if any of you young fellows need a little coaching on the preparation of a "billet-doux" for the one and only, Floyd will charge only a nominal fee and insure definite results..... Chicago was the scene of a family reunion. Mr. & Mrs. Udo Rall were joined by son Waldo and his new wife of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and visited their other son, Wilfred, who attends the University of Chicago..... Our heartfelt sympathy to Kay Alt, who went home to Hillsboro, Ill. last week to attend the funeral of her father..... In keeping with the fast moving pace of the day, A. H. Erickson has just purchased a speed graphic camera, of which he is quite proud. Wonder if it is fast enough to catch J. Salisbury in action?... Eileen O'Brien of Distribution thinks of more darned ways to arouse the chivalrous instinct among the males. This time she picked out the corner of Eighth and St. Charles to break her beads and cause much scrambling among the gentry to rescue them. Latest reports say one "eager beaver" is still out searching for a missing bead..... The Van & Schenk of REA (Billheimer and Bray) are getting their heads together on a new song..... The Finance Div. welcomes back from sick leave: W. Walter, M. Gray, G. (Golly) Moser, and M. Thoma. Notes from the Strange Cargo Division: Messenger Bob East, (Willie Watt) stirred up considerable consternation when he delivered two canteloupes in a mailing envelope to the Mail Room. Ostensibly addressed to Allyn Walters, the canteloupes turned out to be Bob's very own, presented to him by a devoted admirer, Madelyn Roussin, from that famous farm of hers. Ed's. Note: We're merely good friends, so there too!..... You shoulda' seen de goils bowling in their stocking feet at Rogers last week. They ran out of bowling shoes to rent, so the girls did the next best thing and wore no shoes. Then there was the co-op plan in effect between Ann Parvin and Millie Tedford. They took turns wearing Ann's shoes. All was confusion.....

Mary Zugel is excitedly awaiting news of her brother who is due home shortly from Italy..... It's in the wind that the War Veterans are going to have an Armistice Ball..... Dot Stroup was knocking herself out working to get Bea Bohannon lined up for a field trip last week and had the typewriter so hot that the poor bedraggled ribbon just climbed out of the machine like a black snake.....

W. Ettelman can now indulge his photography hobby to the full since Babs is such a willing model and his son in the Solomons is receiving plenty of poses of his favorite pin-up girl. (For your info, granddaughter Barbara is only one-year old)..... Va. Gertz got such a shock from the phone call she received from her fiance (she didn't know he was in the States) that she didn't get to sleep till the wee hours of the morn so they just let her nap off and on all the next day..... Jim Bently seen expanding his chest and passing out cigars to announce the birth of a 7 lb. 5 oz boy on Sept. 10th.

Estelle Budde limped back to work after sustaining a severe burn when the handle of her coffee urn broke off, spilling the hot coffee on Estelle.....

Signed, "Nosey & Newsy"